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In response to the Advisory Action dated February 22, 2006 and the Final Office Action dated December 7, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 7, 2006, please enter this response accompanying the Request for Continued Examination (RCE), filed herewith, and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Applicant believes that a \$790 RCE fee is due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3562 for this fee, and for any other fees, Including extensions of time or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.